## PATENT APPLICATION

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## PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Assistant Commissioner for Patents Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

Prior to examining the above-identified application, please amend the application as follows:

## IN THE SPECIFICATION:

Prease amend the specification as follows:

Page 1, before line 3, insert

-- This is a Divisional of Application Serial No. 09/000,442, filed May 19, 1998 (now allowed), which is a 371 of PCT/AU96/00472, filed July 26, 1996. The disclosures of each of which are incorporated herein by reference. --

Page 10, lines 6-14, delete in their entirety, and insert therefor

-- Figure 5A provides a graph showing transient expression of PGKlacOcat in CHO/M(1)2lacIN + / - metal and + / - IPTG.

CHO/M(1)2lacIN cells were transiently transfected with PGKlacOcat, the cells were incubated for 48 hours post transfection in medium + / - metal and + / - IPTG. Levels of chloramphenicol